Introduction of new syllabus in schools

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Board of Secondary Education, Delhi has changed the courses and books for various classes, while six months of this academic year are already over;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) whether there seemed any difficulty in implementing the revised NCERT courses for various classes from the next academic year;

(d) the decisions taken, so far, by Government in the interest of the students; and

(e) the name of States which have agreed in principle to implement the new syllabus?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (e) The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has implemented the new curriculum and textual materials in all the subjects except in the subjects of Hindi, Social Science and History at the beginning of the academic session 2002-03 itself in all its affiliated schools. Information in this regard was sent to all the affiliated schools well in time. Consequent upon the decision given by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 12.9.2002 the new curriculum and textual material have been implemented in remaining subjects *i.e.* Hindi, Social Science and History in class IXth and XIth. It is felt that the introduction of the new textual materials alongwith the new curriculum will be in the interest of the student community. CBSE is conducting Orientation Programme for Principals and teachers in various subjects to successfully implement the new curriculum.